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## **JULY PROGRAMS AT SPUR SAN FRANCISCO**

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### **Machine Learning and Our Cities**

**12:30 p.m. | Tuesday, July 2, 2019**

Machine learning, the ability of computers to use algorithms and statistical models to perform tasks



without explicit instructions, has the potential to alter nearly every aspect of our daily lives — far beyond, for example, a digital assistant curating specific lines and images from news articles based on our past browsing history. In fact, many of the most profound changes may occur unseen, as machine learning shapes and reforms the world around us. Come learn about the vast world, and potential outcomes, of this nascent form of artificial intelligence.

+ **Scott Mauvais** / Microsoft

+ **Camille Crittenden** / CITRIS Policy Lab at UC Berkeley

+ **Brandie Nonnecke** / CITRIS Policy Lab at UC Berkeley

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## The State of Housing at the State

12:30 p.m. | Tuesday, July 16, 2019



Join us for a discussion with our local representatives in Sacramento to learn the latest on what's happening during the current 2019–20 legislative session. Which bills are moving forward and which are not? How are the CASA bills faring? And what should be on the docket for next year? *Co-presented by the Northern California Section of the American Planning Association*

+ **Assm. David Chiu** / California State Assembly

+ **Assm. Phil Ting** / California State Assembly

+ **Sen. Scott Wiener** / California State Senate

+ **Katy Tang** / Farella Braun + Martel

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## Where Does SF Get Its Money?

12:30 p.m. | Wednesday, July 17, 2019



The budget and fiscal revenue of a city can often seem like a black box. We know that money comes out of the box to pay for necessary services, but where does it come from and what happens to it? Do taxpayers contribute enough to cover the city's roughly \$11 billion budget? How much of that sum comes from agencies that generate some of their own revenue? Are there additional sources? Crack

open the city's books with us and explore where San Francisco gets its money.

+ **Kelly Kirkpatrick** / City and County of San Francisco

+ **Ben Rosenfield** / City and County of San Francisco

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## Delivering Housing Faster

12:30 p.m. | Wednesday, July 24, 2019



**Delivering Housing Faster** Over the last several years, San Francisco has pushed to approve more housing in an effort to address the region's ongoing housing shortage. Now, with a record 70,000 units in the pipeline, there is important work happening on both the public and private sides to quickly get those approved projects permitted and built. Learn what it takes to deliver this much-needed housing, which is often created as part of very large mixed-use projects that require major infrastructure investments.

+ **Catherine Reilly** / Brookfield Properties

+ **Nadia Sesay** / Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure

+ **Judson True** / San Francisco Office of the Mayor

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## JUST ADDED: City of Joel

3:45 p.m. | Thursday, July 25, 2019



**City of Joel** Four decades ago, a community of Hasidim fled the cost and crowds of Brooklyn to create Kiryas Joel (City of Joel) in upstate New York. This thriving, ultra-Orthodox village of 22,000 had lived peacefully with its neighbors in the pastoral town of Monroe until Kiryas Joel sought to double its geographic footprint to keep up with its population. Emmy-winning filmmaker Jesse Sweet was given unprecedented access to follow the clash of cultures as tensions grew between the politically-powerful Kiryas Joel residents and their secular neighbors in a beautiful documentary that raises important questions about the separation of church and state, the balance of rights and whether a once-powerless minority can become too powerful.

*In partnership with the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival.*

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## Farm-to-Grocery: What Does It Take?

6:00 p.m. | Thursday, July 25, 2019



Farm-to-Grocery: What Does It Take? Farmers' markets and grocery stores both offer bountiful selections of fruits and vegetables, tempting us to buy some to take home or have delivered to our doorstep. But the process of getting food to each of those retail settings can vary significantly. Selling wholesale and selling direct-to-consumer are different beasts, making it difficult to scale a local food economy. Discover the challenges and opportunities that farmers and grocers face as you sample farm-fresh fruit. *Co-presented by CUESA and generously sponsored by the Bi-Rite Family of Businesses.*

+ **Simon Richard** / Bi-Rite Family of Businesses

+ **Ben Hartman** / Good Eggs

+ **Daniella Sawaya** / Kitchen Table Advisors

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## Mobility for All

12:30 p.m. | Wednesday, July 31, 2019



In the last decade, the transportation sector has seen an immense rate of innovation and change, but amid both the advancements and controversies, who has been left behind? How can we break down the financial and physical barriers to both new and existing services? Join us to explore how policy and design can make transportation physically and financially accessible for all.

+ **Annette Williams** / SFMTA

+ **Erin McAuliff** / SFMTA

+ **Naomi Armenta** / Nelson\Nygaard

+ **Nicole Bohn** / San Francisco Mayor's Office on Disability

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## Transforming SF's Public Housing

2:30 p.m. | Wednesday, July 31, 2019



Transforming public housing communities into thriving mixed-income communities in neglected neighborhoods takes more than bricks and mortar. HOPE SF has created a common set of principles that puts residents at the center and prioritizes community by building trust and promoting healing. The development also includes an ambitious neighborhood hub that includes the city's first new recreation center in decades, a new community center for neighborhood activities, a Boys & Girls Club and a mixed-income early childhood education center. Join us for a tour of the Sunnydale site and a discussion of the human side of HOPE SF.

+ **Doug Shoemaker** / Mercy Housing California  
+ **Ann Silverberg** / Related California  
+ **Theo Miller** / San Francisco Office of the Mayor  
+ **Phil Ginsburg** / San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department

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## EXHIBITIONS

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### Non-Linear: The Mind of Michael Painter

Monday, June 24, 2019 to Monday, September 30, 2019



Even among landscape architects, Michael Painter was unique. After all, it's incredibly rare that the person responsible for a project comes as highly admired as the project itself. His ability to beautifully design landforms was surpassed only by his humility, and his love of collaboration was surpassed only by his willingness to ensure that every idea be heard. Ultimately, Michael's body of work would span a half-century, hundreds of clients and more than 850 projects, but what truly endeared him to all he worked with, clients and colleagues alike, was not just *what* projects he worked on but *how* he did that work. *Non-Linear: The Mind of Michael Painter* dives into the late, visionary landscape architect's work process, parsing apart his work to focus on the methodology behind it. *Non-Linear: The Mind of Michael Painter* is made possible by the generous sponsorship of Arup, Golden Link Concessionaire, MPA Design and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority.

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